GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2071
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CLOSE DOWN THE UNITS OF BURN STANDARD
SUNIL KHAN

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the refractories of Lalkuthi, Raniganj and Durgapur units of Burn Standard have been closed;

(b) if so, whether any proposal from the Government of West Bengal has been received by Union Government to take over the lands of its units on one rupee lease agreement to provide the job to the workers of its units; and

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) &(c): No, Sir. However, a request has been received from the West Bengal Government to permit lease of Lalkuthi Works on nominal lease rental to an Industrial Cooperative of Ex BSCL workers. The Ministry has conveyed its willingness to consider transfer of the unit directly to the Government of West Bengal on `as is where is` basis which could thereafter formulate the modalities of passing on the management of the unit to the Workers` Cooperative.